Lafayette County Commission On Aging Advisory Committee Board Meeting Minutes June 27, 2012

Lafayette County Human Services provides an array of cost effective, quality services, and community-based support for individuals and families to improve their quality of life.

Advisory Committee members present: John Bartels, Carol Korn, Susie Nelson, Leean White, Vicki Whitford, (Leon Wolfe was excused)

LCHS staff present: Kate Chambers, Kristine Brunkow

I. CALL TO ORDER

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- A. The meeting was called to order by Leon Wolfe at 1:00 p.m. The meeting was properly posted at the Courthouse, City Library, Lafayette County Human Services and e-mailed to The Republican Journal.
- B. Motion by Susie Nelson, second by Leean White to approve the agenda as posted; carried.
- C. Motion by Carol Korn, second by John Bartels to approve the amended minutes of the May 2, 2012 as printed; carried.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. No public comments were submitted.

III. Monthly Reports

- A. **Driver Escort**-April had 11 drivers for a total of \$821.36 and May had 11 drivers for a total of \$1,202.48.
- B. Transportation-The month of April had 6 regular shopping trips and May had 9 regular shopping trips. Ms. Chambers stated Bobby Long is putting the bus schedule on the Lafayette County news section advertised on the Big Easy radio station. Trips taken in April and May included the "Tour of Lafayette"; Greendale, WI for the Taste of Home Show; Brewers Game and Manor Fishing Trip.

Bus repairs for April were \$1,533.71 and repairs for May were \$3,900.63 (pump went out in one of the buses).

Ms. Chambers indicated she was going to discuss the cost of the shopping and charter trips to review the suggested costs. At this time; this will be placed on hold until a transportation survey is developed to see if this is a concern of our seniors and the new busses have arrived.

C. Home Chore Program-There was 17 clients served in April and 14 clients served in May. Ms. Chambers stated a couple of clients went to Family Care. Ms. Elzen sent out 26 thank you cards to the businesses who advertise in the Upper Horizon.

- D. Upper Horizons-April newsletter costs were \$625.95 and May newsletter costs were \$766.07. Ms. Chambers stated she called the Shopping News regarding delivery issues in the South Wayne area. Ms. Chambers will put the LogistiCare phone numbers in the Upper Horizson.
- E. Alzheimer & Dementia Alliance-April disbursement was \$2,288.80 for expenses from January through March. May disbursement was \$165.00 for Caregiver brochures.
- F. Lafayette County Nurses-The billing for April was \$5,441.03 for January through March. Billing for May was for January through April respite care.

Medical Alerts-April costs were \$625.90; and May costs were \$625.90.

G. ADRC

<u>Elder Benefit Specialist</u>-The Elder Benefit Specialist worked with 40 individuals in March and April. Monetary impact for this timeframe was \$99,979.00.

<u>Disability Benefit Specialist</u>-The Disability Benefit Specialist served a total of 38 people for the months of January to June. Monetary impact for this timeframe was \$72,243.00.

<u>I&A Specialist</u>-Ms. Chambers stated Lafayette County will be at entitlement status for Family Care as of July 1, 2012. Anyone who walks into the agency and is eligible for Family Care will be served as there is no longer a waiting list.

Ms. Chambers stated there were 215 contacts to the ADRC since January, 2012 for I&A services.

Ms. Chambers stated the ADRC staff will make a brief presentation to the committee in a future meeting to outline their duties within the agency.

- IV. SUN Program Report-Discussion regarding funding possibilities for next year. Home delivery costs are up. Leon Wolfe stated the SUN Program has cookbooks for sale for \$5 each and will be selling these at the fair. Ms. Chambers called Cecile to report the Grant that was available, and also the discussion with the COA board regarding educating customers on the Annual Report fiscal report.
- V. New Board Member Appointment and Lay Member Appointment-Ms. Chambers stated Chris Parkinson was reappointed by the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors for a two year term to expire in April 2014.

This meeting is the last meeting for Susie Nelson. The Committee thanked Susie for her many years of service on the committee.

Ms. Chambers has received two applications for the board position being vacated by Susie Nelson. The Committee requested to speak to each applicant at the next board meeting and then forward their recommendation to Jack Sauer for final approval.

VI. 2013-2015 County Plan For Older People- Public Hearing for the COA programs was held on June 11, 2012. Thank you to the board members who attended. No public comments from this hearing.

Ms. Chambers distributed the 2013-2015 County Plan for Older People handout which included: Timetable, Environmental Scan results, and the Statewide Focus Areas. Group discussion on the focus areas from the plan- group strategized ideas for goals and action plans.

VII. Director's Report

- A. Ms. Chambers stated Leann White will be attending the Statesmanship Advocacy Training in Madison scheduled for November.
- B. Ms. Chambers reported a contract change to the Evidence-Based Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Program needs to be spent on evidence-based disease prevention. Lafayette Counties Plan Amendment was approved for this change, adding the Stepping On Program.
- C. GWAAR met with Janet George and Ms. Chambers regarding a County Aging Unit Fiscal Assessment on Compliance with the Older Americans Act on June 7, 2012. No problems were noted. Ms. Chambers indicated that volunteer hours need to be tracked for the volunteer driver program.
- D. LogistiCare-Carrie Porter from GWAAR is requesting an independent audit of LogistiCare. The ADRC Board of Southwest-South signed this letter of concern.
- E. CMS-Discussion between CMS and the State regarding the caps on Family Care enrollment that were implemented last year. CMS is looking into the program for potential client impact and to review if clients were notified that the cap was lifted.
- F. SeniorCare-The State of Wisconsin has not completed the federal Waiver to extend the SeniorCare Program.
- G. Ms. Chambers received an email from Bob Kellerman, GWAAR, Older American Act program funding for 2013. At this time, the funding will remain at current levels.
- H. Farmer Market Vouchers-Lafayette County is still trying to apply for the Farmers Market Vouchers. Ms. Chambers indicated the State determines when to add Counties. Ms. Chambers has written to the State the last two years and has not been approved to receive the vouchers.
- I. The State Office of Aging is offering scholarships to citizen board members to attend the GWAAR Aging Network Conference on September 20 and 21st. If any board member is interested, they should see Ms. Chambers.
- J. Ms. Chambers reported these Past Events:
 - ABC's of Alzheimer's and Dementia offered in Belmont; 7 individuals attended.
 - Coffee Hour for Caregiver's: numbers have increased in the past 3 months.
 - OAA Month was in May. "Never Too Old to Play" Senior Fair Day; approximately 100 attended; 19 business attended; provided food, style show and give-aways.
 - The ADRC presented their services to the Lunch Bunch on June 11, 2012.
 - The ADRC/ Elder Benefit Specialist is helping with the Basic Computer Skills classes that are being offered to seniors in the Darlington, Argyle, and Shullsburg Libraries.

- The Lafayette Manor and the Fayette Sportsmen Club had their 17th Annual Fishing Trip to Yellowstone Lake; 17 individuals attended.
- K. Ms. Chambers reported these Future Events:
 - CPR recertification classes will be held on June 27, 2012 for the three drivers that are on the Lafayette County payroll.
 - "Stepping On Program" will begin in Belmont on July 3 and run until August 14.
 - Lafayette County Fair-"Making Memories at the Best County Fair"; live music, picture taken, root beer floats and Home Care quilt raffle.
 - Caregiver Renewal Day is scheduled for November 15, 2012 in Platteville, WI.

IX. ADJOURN

- A. The next meeting was set for Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.
- B. Motion by John Bartels, second by Vicki Whitford to adjourn at 2:40 p.m.

Reviewed by

Kate Chambers, Aging Director

Date

Approved by

Keon Wolfe, Chair

Date